

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

RETURN

OF

PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACTS, 1881 AND 1887;" "THE
LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885-1886;" AND "THE
PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1885,"

DURING THE MONTHS OF

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IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

MONTH OF AUGUST, 1888.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," up to the 31st day of August, 1888; also of Proceedings up to same date, under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885-1886," and under "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a) In Court.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st July, 1888,	161,702		Rents Fixed—		
Applications received in month of August, 1888,	178	161,880	By Chief Commission to 31st July, 1888,	1,319	1,319
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st July, 1888,	6,968		„ in month of Aug., 1888,	—	
Do. in month of August, 1888,	15	6,981	By Sub-Commissions to 31st July, 1888,	96,693	96,737
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st July, 1888,	23,017		„ in month of Aug., 1888,	44	
Applications received in month of August, 1888,	88	23,106	Dismissed and struck out—		
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st July, 1888,	619		By Chief Commission to 31st July, 1888,	1,455	1,456
Do. in month of August, 1888,	4	623	„ in month of Aug., 1888,	1	
Total,	—	192,590	By Sub-Commissions to 31st July, 1888,	23,062	23,063
			„ in month of Aug., 1888,	—	
			Withdrawn*—		
			By Chief Commission to 31st July, 1888,	4,526	4,526
			„ in month of Aug., 1888,	—	
			By Sub-Commissions to 31st July, 1888,	6,456	6,456
			„ in month of Aug., 1888,	—	
			Total disposed of,	—	134,186

(b.) Out of Court.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 33, fixing Fair Rent to 31st July, 1888,	90,917
Do., do. in month of August, 1888,	521
Total,	90,528

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 31st July, 1888,	934	940	Number disposed of to 31st July, 1888,	1,177
Applications received in month of August, 1888,	6		" in month of Aug., 1888,	7
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st July, 1888,	25	25		
Do. in month of Aug., 1888,	—			
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 81) received to 31st July, 1888,	396	413		
Applications in month of Aug., 1888,	17			
Total,	—	1,373	Total disposed of,	1,184

† The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, for rent, avoidance of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTOR TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2.)—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,*	55	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st July, 1888,	12	12
		" in month of Aug., 1888,	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st July, 1888,	—	1
		" in month of Aug., 1888,	1	
		Applications withdrawn or compro- mised to 31st July, 1888,	—	—
		" in month of Aug., 1888,	—	
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	—	13

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 31st July, 1888,	6	6	Applications granted to 31st July, 1888,	—	—
" in month of Aug., 1888,	—		" in month of Aug., 1888,	—	
" Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st July, 1888,	2	2	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st July, 1888,	—	—
" in month of Aug., 1888,	—		" in month of Aug., 1888,	—	
			Applications withdrawn to 31st July, 1888,	—	—
			" in month of Aug., 1888,	—	
Total,	—	8	Total disposed of,	—	—

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885—1886.

Applications received to 31st July, 1888,	2,303	Rents fixed to 31st July, 1888,	983	1,000
" in August, 1888,	79	" in August, 1888,	67	
		Applications disclaimed, struck out, and withdrawn to 31st July, 1888,	103	
		" in August, 1888,	53	155
Total,	2,373	Total disposed of,	—	1,296

VI.—APPEALS *re* FAIR RENT, &c.

Number of Appeals lodged to 31st July, 1888,	27,490	Number heard to 31st July, 1888,	10,011	10,187
" in month of August, 1888,	569	" in month of Aug., 1888,	* 145	
		Number disclaimed or struck out to 31st July, 1888,	‡ 1,660	
		" in month of Aug., 1888,	—	
			1,660	
		Deduct cases reinstated to 31st July, 1888,	233	617
		Number withdrawn to 31st July, 1888,	11,496	11,511
		" in month of Aug., 1888,	15	
			—	
		Total Number disposed of,	—	23,455
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	5,074
Total,	28,059	Total,	—	28,059

* The full number of Appeals decided by Court in August, 43.

‡ In 639 cases the Notices were struck out because maps were not lodged as required by Rule 74, and in 451 cases because the Notices were not duly stamped. Of the former 85 cases, and of the latter 176 cases, were reinstated.

VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1885.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for to 31st July, 1888,	13,636	£ 5,701,861
" in month of August, 1888,	251	141,064
	14,087	5,842,915
Loans sanctioned to 31st July, 1888,	11,295	4,638,670
" in month of August, 1888,	190	94,064
	11,485	4,732,734
Loans issued to 31st July, 1888,	7,432	3,009,528
" in month of August, 1888,	869	284,888
	8,301	3,294,416

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF AUGUST, 1888.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 31st day of August, 1888.

I. FAIR RENT.

(a) In Court.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st July, 1888,	20,187	20,274	Rents fixed to 31st July, 1888,	3,394	3,695
Applications received in month of August, 1888,	87		" in month of August, 1888,	361	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 31st July, 1888,	1,600	1,655	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st July, 1888,	2,120	2,142
Applications received in month of August, 1888,	55		" in month of August, 1888,	22	
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending, to 31st July, 1888,	819	826	Applications withdrawn* to 31st July, 1888,	244	244
Applications received in month of August, 1888,	7		" in month of August, 1888,	—	
Total,	—	22,755	Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st July, 1888,	7,585	7,604
			" in month of August, 1888,	19	
			Total disposed of,	—	19,885

(b) Out of Court.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 33, fixing Fair Rent to 31st July, 1888,	6,822
Do., do., in month of August, 1888,	5
Total,	6,827

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 31st July, 1888,	338	341	Number disposed of to 31st July, 1888,	119	119
Applications received in month of August, 1888,	3		" in month of Aug., 1888,	—	
		341	Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st July, 1888,	26	26
			Transferred in month of August, 1888,	—	
Total,	—	341	Total disposed of,	—	145

† The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1837,"—SEC. 2)—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,*	6	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st July, 1888,	—	
		" in month of Aug., 1888,	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st July, 1888,	3	
		" in month of Aug., 1888,	—	3
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 31st July, 1888,	—	
		" in month of Aug., 1888,	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court, to 31st July, 1888,	—	
		" in month of Aug., 1888,	—	
Total,	6	Total disposed of,	—	3

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1837"—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 31st July, 1888,	11	Applications granted to 31st July, 1888,	—	
" in month of August, 1888,	1	" in month of Aug., 1888,	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st July, 1888,	—	
		" in month of Aug., 1888,	—	
		Applications withdrawn to 31st July, 1888,	—	
		" in month of Aug., 1888,	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st July, 1888,	2	
		" in month of Aug., 1888,	—	2
Total,	12	Total disposed of,	—	2

Irish Land Commission, }
8th September, 1888.

DENIS GODLEY.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1888.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," up to the 30th day of September, 1888; also of Proceedings up to same date, under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885-1886," and under "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) In Court.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st August, 1888, . . .	161,880		Rents Fixed—		
Applications received in month of September, 1888, . . .	574		By Chief Commission to 31st August, 1888, . . .	1,819	
			" in month of Sept., 1888, . . .	36	1,855
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st August, 1888, . . .	6,561	162,254	By Sub-Commissions to 31st August, 1888, . . .	96,757	
Do. in month of Sept., 1888, . . .	22		" in month of Sept., 1888, . . .	438	97,170
			Dismissed and struck out—		
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st August, 1888, . . .	23,140	7,903	By Chief Commission to 31st August, 1888, . . .	1,466	
Applications received in month of September, 1888, . . .	231		" in month of Sept., 1888, . . .	—	1,466
			By Sub-Commissions to 31st August, 1888, . . .	35,562	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st August, 1888, . . .	693	23,387	" in month of Sept., 1888, . . .	180	25,822
Do. in month of Sept., 1888, . . .	17		Withdrawn*—		
			By Chief Commission to 31st August, 1888, . . .	4,526	
			" in month of Sept., 1888, . . .	57	4,583
			By Sub-Commissions to 31st August, 1888, . . .	6,456	
			" in month of Sept., 1888, . . .	53	6,469
Total, . . .	—	183,234	Total disposed of, . . .	—	134,905

(b.) Out of Court.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 33, fixing Fair Rent to 31st August, 1888, . . .	90,538
Do. do. in month of September, 1888, . . .	327
Total, . . .	90,865

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.):			Number disposed of to 31st August, 1888,	1,184
Applications received to 31st August, 1888,	940		" in month of September, 1888,	19
Applications received in month of September, 1888,	4	944		
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st August, 1888, . .	28			
Do. in month of Sept., 1888,	—	26		
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 81) received to 31st August, 1888,	413			
Applications in month of Sept., 1888,	14	427		
Total,	—	1,197	Total disposed of,	1,203

† The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1867,"—SEC. 2.)—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 31st February, 1888,*	55	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st August, 1888,	19	
		" in month of Sept., 1888,	6	18
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Aug., 1888,	1	
		" in month of Sept., 1888,	—	1
		Applications withdrawn or compro- mised to 31st Aug., 1888,	—	
		" in month of Sept., 1888,	—	—
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	—	19

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 31st February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1867."—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 31st August, 1888, in month of Sept., 1888,	8	Applications granted to 31st Aug., 1888,	—	
" Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st August, 1888,	2	" in month of September, 1888,	—	—
" in month of September, 1888,	—	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st August, 1888, in month of September, 1888,	—	—
		" in month of September, 1888,	—	—
		Applications withdrawn to 31st August, 1888,	—	—
		" in month of September, 1888,	—	—
Total,	—	Total disposed of,	—	—

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885-1886.

Applications received to 31st Aug., 1888,	2,373	Rents fixed to 31st August, 1888,	1,069	
" in September, 1888,	197	" in September, 1888,	—	1,069
		Applications dismissed, struck out,		
		and withdrawn to		
		31st August, 1888,	155	155
		" in September, 1888,	—	
Total,	2,570	Total disposed of	—	1,205

VI.—APPEALS re FAIR RENT, &c.

Number of Appeals lodged to 31st	28,059	Number heard to 31st Aug., 1888,	10,157	
" in month of September, 1888,	349	" in month of Sept., 1888,	* 16	10,173
		Number dismissed or struck out to		
		31st August, 1888,	† 1,050	
		" in month of Sept., 1888,	4	
			1,054	
		Deduct cases reinstated to		
		30th September, 1888,	234	820
		Number withdrawn to 31st Aug.,		
		1888,	11,511	
		" in month of Sept., 1888,	5	11,516
		Total Number disposed of,	—	22,509
		Remaining to be disposed of,		5,809
Total,	28,408	Total,		28,408

* The full number of Appeals decided by Court in September, all.

† In 431 cases the notices were struck out because maps were not lodged, as required by Rule 74, and in 431 cases because the notices were not duly stamped. Of the former 86 cases, and of the latter 175 cases, were reinstated.

VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1885.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for to 31st August, 1888,	14,057	£
" in September, 1888,	99	5,842,915
	14,156	56,870
Loans sanctioned to 31st August, 1888,	11,455	4,732,754
" in September, 1888,	85	33,037
	11,540	4,765,791
Loans issued to 31st August, 1888,	8,191	3,294,416
" in September, 1888,	—	—
	8,191	3,294,416

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1888.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," as notified, to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 30th day of September, 1888.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) In Court.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st August, 1888,	30,374		Rents fixed to 31st August, 1888,	9,695	
Applications received in month of September, 1888,	144		" in month of Sept., 1888,	—	9,695
		30,418	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st August, 1888,	2,142	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 31st August, 1888,	1,656		" in month of Sept., 1888,	—	2,142
Applications received in month of September, 1888,	67		Applications withdrawn* to 31st August, 1888,	244	
		1,743	" in month of Sept., 1888,	—	244
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an adjournment is pending, to 31st August, 1888,	836		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st Aug., 1888,	7,604	
Applications received in month of September, 1888,	9		" in month of Sept., 1888,	39	7,643
		835			
Total,	—	29,995	Total disposed of,	—	10,724

(b.) Out of Court.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 33, fixing Fair Rent to 31st August, 1888,	6,637
Do, do, in month of September, 1888,	19
Total,	6,646

* An application to fix a fair rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 31st August, 1888,	341		Number disposed of to 31st August, 1888,	119	
Applications received in month of September, 1888,	2		" in month of Sept., 1888,	—	119
		343	Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st August, 1888,	26	
			Transferred in month of Sept., 1888,	—	26
Total,	—	343	Total disposed of,	—	145

† The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance, &c., or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 31st February, 1888,*	6	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st August, 1888,	—	
		" in month of Sept., 1888,	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Aug., 1888,	3	
		" in month of Sept., 1888,	—	3
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 31st August, 1888,	—	
		" in month of Sept., 1888,	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st August, 1888,	—	
		" in month of Sept., 1888,	—	
Total,	6	Total disposed of,	—	3

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 28th February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 31st August, 1888,	12	Applications granted to 31st Aug., 1888,	—	
" in month of Sept., 1888,	—	" in month of Sept., 1888,	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st Aug., 1888,	—	
		" in month of Sept., 1888,	—	
		Applications withdrawn to 31st August, 1888,	—	
		" in month of Sept., 1888,	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st Aug., 1888,	2	
		" in month of Sept., 1888,	—	2
Total,	12	Total disposed of,	—	2

Irish Land Commission, }
9th October, 1888.

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